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**CALENDAR OF ECONOMIC EVENTS\***  
**CHRONOLOGICAL SEQUENCE**

**April-June 1974**

<b>Date</b>	<b>Event</b>
<b>APRIL</b>	
23 Mar-7 Apr	Soviet Trade and Industry Exhibit in Duesseldorf, headed by Deputy Chairman of USSR Council of Ministers Vladimir Novikov
27 Mar-14 Apr	Japanese oil specialist mission will visit four Middle Eastern countries, the OPEC Secretariat, the EC Commission, and head offices of US majors in New York
Early	US Ambassador Malmgren to visit Latin America
Early	Libyan Premier Jalloud to visit Moscow
Early	Annual Meeting of International Wool Textile Organization (Melbourne, Australia)
1-2	EC Foreign Ministers Meeting (Luxembourg)
1-4	Inter-American Development Bank Board of Governors Meeting (Santiago)
2-12	UNCTAD's Group of 77 Meeting on the Law of the Sea (Nairobi)
2 Apr-late Apr	US Agriculture Secretary Butz to visit Thailand, Hong Kong, the Philippines, Taiwan, South Korea, and Japan. Will be in Tokyo 14-18 Apr
3-5	Energy Coordinating Group Meeting (Brussels)
3-5	European Parliament Meeting (Luxembourg)

\* See page 4 for a functional and geographic breakdown and statement of US policy interest. Events in bold face in the chronological sequence are considered to be of special interest. This quarterly calendar is updated and issued on a monthly basis.

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Date	Event
<b>APRIL</b> (Continued)	
5	EC Energy Committee (Brussels)
5-19	Mission to Hungary of US government and business officials (headed by Frank Zarb of OMB)
6-8	Meeting of ASEAN rice experts (Manila)
6-19	Visit of Senator Edward Kennedy to the USSR, Romania, Poland, and West Germany
7	Arab Industry Ministers Conference (Tripoli)
8-9	NATO Central Europe Pipeline Policy Committee Meeting (Paris)
8-11	UN ECE Committee on Trade and Development -- Group of Experts Meeting (Geneva)
8-15	Visit of Secretary of Commerce Dent to the USSR and Eastern Europe
8-17	Second Meeting of Joint Working Group on Agricultural Research and Technological Development under US-USSR Agricultural Cooperation Agreement (Washington)
9	UN General Assembly in Special Session (New York)
10	OPEC Oil Ministers Meeting
10	Meeting of Finance Ministers of European Joint Float Countries (Copenhagen)
9-11	Working Party Meeting of Aid to India Consortium (Paris)
11-17	Brazilian Trade Delegation to the PRC
Mid-month	Preparatory Committee for Islamic Development Bank Meeting (Jidda)
Mid-month	Japanese mission to visit United States and Europe
15 Apr-15 May	Spring Canton Trade Fair
17	Latin American Foreign Ministers Meeting with Secretary Kissinger (Washington)

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Date	Event
<b>APRIL</b> (Continued)	
17-18	Energy Coordinating Group Meeting
18-19	<u>OECD</u> Working Party 3 Meeting (Tokyo)
18-19	Taiwan Finance Minister Li Kuo-ting to visit Washington
19-24	West German Chancellor Willy Brandt to visit Algeria and Egypt and possibly other Arab countries
22-23	Informal EC Finance Ministers Meeting (Amsterdam)
23-24	OECD Sixth Executive Committee in Special Session (Paris)
24-25	OECD Ministerial Council Meeting (Paris)
24-25	French Foreign Minister Jobert to visit Tokyo
25	Jordan's Crown Prince Hassan to visit the United States (tentative date)
25-27	The Seventh Annual Meeting of the Asian Development Bank (ADB)
28 Apr-2 May	West German-Iranian Investors Conference (Persepolis, Iran)
29-30	OECD Development Assistance Committee (DAC) Meeting (Paris)
29-30	EC Finance Ministers Meeting (Luxembourg)
29-30	Technical Symposium on Coal Gasification for Fertilizer Production (New Delhi)
29-30	EC Agriculture Ministers Meeting (Brussels)
29-30	EC Vice President Soames visit to Yugoslavia
29 Apr-3 May	UN Group of 12 Meeting on the Law of the Sea (Paris)
29 Apr-3 May	OECD Economic Policy Committee Working Party 4 Meeting (Paris)

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Date	Event
<b>MAY</b>	
2-3	Energy Coordinating Group Meeting
4	Soviet exhibition on environmental protection opens at Expo-74 World Trade Fair in Spokane, Washington
6-7	OECD Trade Committee Working Party Meeting (Paris)
6-10	UNCTAD Meeting on LDC Debt Problems (Geneva)
7	GATT Trade Negotiations Committee Working Group on Non-Tariff Barriers - Expert-level Meeting (Geneva)
13-16	Ambassador-at-large Kennedy will lead mission to South Korea
13-17	Second Meeting of Joint Working Group on Agricultural Economic Research and Information under US-USSR Agricultural Cooperation Agreement (Washington)
13-18	UN ECE Committee on the Development of Trade (Geneva)
Mid-month	Sri Lanka Aid Consortium Meeting (Paris)
16-18	OECD Ministerial Council Meeting (Paris) (tentative)
19-31	GATT Trade Negotiations Committee Working Group on Non-Tariff Barriers (Geneva)
21	Japan's Foreign Minister Ohira to visit New York (tentative)
21-22	Fourth Meeting of US-USSR Joint Commercial Commission (Washington)
27-31	Latin American Energy Ministers Meeting (Buenos Aires)
28	Ordinary Session of the Organization of African Unity (OAU) Council of Ministers (Mogadiscio, Somalia)
Date not set	Possible EC Summit Meeting
Date not set	Brezhnev to visit Brazil (possibly May)
Date not set	Council of Ministers of African Group (Dakar)
Date not set	IBRD-ADB-sponsored Consultative Meeting on Postwar Aid to Indochina (Paris)

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<b>Date</b>	<b>Event</b>
<b>JUNE</b>	
4-6	Yugoslav President Joseph Tito to visit West Germany
10	OPEC Conference (Quito)
10-28	UNCTAD Working Group Meeting on States' Economic Rights and Duties (Mexico City)
12-13	IMF Group of Twenty Finance Ministers (Rome)
12-13	UN ECE Steel Committee - Group of Experts Meeting (Geneva)
20 Jun to 29 Aug	Third United Nations Conference on the Law of the Sea (Caracas, Venezuela)
25-28	GATT Trade Negotiations Committee Working Group on Non-Tariff Barriers (Geneva)
26-28	UN ECE Coal Committee - Group of Experts Meeting (Geneva)
Date not set	IBRD Consultative Meeting on Thailand (Paris)
Date not set	Trip by President Nixon to the USSR (tentative)
Date not set	Visit of four USDA representatives to USSR under US-USSR Agricultural Cooperation Agreement



**CONFIDENTIAL****Economic Events, by Area of Interest**

Date	Event	US Policy Interest
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**INTERNATIONAL MONETARY NEGOTIATIONS****APRIL**

18-19	OECD Working Party 3 Meeting (Tokyo)	Will discuss measures for orderly floating of currencies, recycling of oil dollars, and the problem of monetary gold.
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**JUNE**

12-13	IMF Group of Twenty Finance Ministers (Rome)	Will complete work on main features of a reformed international monetary system.
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**INTERNATIONAL ENERGY AND COMMODITY SITUATION****APRIL**

3-5	Energy Coordinating Group Meeting (Brussels)	Will work toward implementing decisions reached at the Washington Energy Conference.
10	OPEC Oil Ministers Meeting	Will discuss aid to LDCs.
17-18	Energy Coordinating Group Meeting	Will prepare for the producer-consumer country conference to be held later this year.

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2-3	Energy Coordinating Group Meeting	Will complete preparations for the producer-consumer country conference to be held later this year.
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**JUNE**

10	OPEC Conference (Quito)	Will discuss long-term price for crude oil and the creation of a development bank.
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Date	Event	US Policy Interest
<b>OTHER MULTILATERAL CONFERENCES</b>		
<b>APRIL</b>		
2-12	UNCAD's Group of 77 Meeting on the Law of the Sea (Nairobi)	To coordinate common LDC positions on use of marine resources and territorial seas.
8-9	NATO Central Europe Pipeline Policy Committee Meeting (Paris)	Discussion of burden-sharing and other budgetary issues.
8-11	UN ECE Committee on Trade and Development—Group of Experts Meeting (Geneva)	Will discuss international trade practices as they relate to agricultural products.
9	UN General Assembly in Special Session (New York)	Requested by Algeria as spokesman for the non-aligned to discuss relations of prices of raw materials and industrial goods.
23-24	OECD Sixth Executive Committee in Special Session (Paris)	Will review current international economic developments and problems.
24-25	OECD Ministerial Council Meeting (Paris)	Will discuss general economic policy issues with special attention to demand management and balance-of-payments policies, development cooperation, and energy policies.
29-30	OECD Development Assistance Committee (DAC) Meeting (Paris)	Will continue discussions of aid programs in light of oil situation, oil and commodity price trends, and cooperation with oil producers in DAC.
29 Apr-3 May	UN Group of 12 Meeting on the Law of the Sea (Paris)	To coordinate Western efforts to eliminate marine pollution.
29 Apr-3 May	OECD Economic Policy Committee Working Party 4 Meeting (Paris)	Will discuss inflation, oil, commodity prices, and price trends in member countries.

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Date	Event	US Policy Interest
<b>MAY</b>		
6-7	OECD Trade Committee Working Party Meeting (Paris)	Will examine safeguard clauses and export controls.
6-10	UNCTAD Meeting on LDC Debt Problems (Geneva)	The United States is invited to participate in discussions, which will include aid requirements for debt relief.
7	GATT Trade Negotiations Committee Working Group on Non-Tariff Barriers—Expert-level Meeting (Geneva)	Will conduct a general discussion of trade problems caused by packaging and labeling requirements and the extent to which problems are covered by proposed GATT standards code.
13-18	UN ECE Committee on the Development of Trade (Geneva)	Will conduct a seminar on East-West trade promotion.
16-18 (tentative)	OECD Ministerial Council Meeting (Paris) (tentative)	Will discuss general economic policy with special attention to demand management, balance-of-payments policies, and energy policies.
19-31	GATT Trade Negotiations Committee Working Group on Non-Tariff Barriers (Geneva)	Will discuss export subsidies and countervailing duties.
<b>JUNE</b>		
10-28	UNCTAD Working Group Meeting on States' Economic Rights and Duties (Mexico City)	The United States is to participate in the session, which will consider the limits of sovereignty in pursuing economic relations among states.
12-13	UN ECE Steel Committee-Group of Experts Meeting (Geneva)	Will discuss energy use in the steel industry.
20 Jun to 29 Aug	Third United Nations Conference on the Law of the Sea (Caracas, Venezuela)	To formulate regulations governing exploitation of seabed mineral resources and fisheries resources.

Date	Event	US Policy Interest
<b>JUNE</b> (Continued)		
25-28	GATT Trade Negotiations Committee Working Group on Non-Tariff Barriers (Geneva)	Will discuss revision on GATT inventory of non-tariff barriers (NTBs) and examine possible inclusion of NTBs affecting LDCs.
26-28	UN ECE Coal Committee-Group of Experts Meeting (Geneva)	Will discuss productivity and management problems in the coal industry.
<b>WESTERN EUROPE</b>		
<b>APRIL</b>		
1-2	EC Foreign Ministers Meeting (Luxembourg)	Will discuss regional policy, the European Parliament's budgetary powers, relations with East European countries, EC Mediterranean policy, negotiations under Article 24:6 of GATT, and UK interest in renegotiating terms of EC accession treaty.
3-5	European Parliament Meeting (Luxembourg)	Will discuss oil, monetary policy, and other priority community business.
5	EC Energy Committee (Brussels)	Will probably discuss French proposal to create a European energy agency.
10	Meeting of Finance Ministers of European Joint Float Countries (Copenhagen)	To discuss joint float and need for dollar intervention.
22-23	Informal EC Finance Ministers Meeting (Amsterdam)	Will discuss coordinated and gradual selling of gold reserves on the free market by EC member states.
29-30	EC Finance Ministers Meeting (Luxembourg)	Will probably discuss French plan for a revised joint EC float against the dollar.
29-30	EC Agriculture Ministers Meeting (Brussels)	Will discuss implementation of 1974/75 CAP prices.

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Date	Event	US Policy Interest
<b>MAY</b>		
Date not set	Possible EC Summit Meeting	Would discuss energy, monetary, and regional policies and other priority issues.

**JUNE**

4-6	Yugoslav President Joseph Tito to visit West Germany	Will discuss West German-Yugoslav relations.
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## WESTERN HEMISPHERE

**APRIL**

Early	US Ambassador Malmgren to visit Latin America	For discussions on multilateral trade relations.
1-4	Inter-American Development Bank Board of Governors Meeting (Santiago)	To discuss donor subscriptions and Chilean debt rescheduling.
11-17	Brazilian Trade Delegation to the PRC	To discuss increases in the current low level of trade between the two countries.
17	Latin American Foreign Ministers Meeting with Secretary Kissinger (Washington)	To discuss US relations with Latin America, with emphasis on economic subjects.

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27-31	Latin American Energy Ministers Meeting (Buenos Aires)	To discuss distribution and development of energy resources in Latin America.
Date not set	Brezhnev to visit Brazil (possibly May)	Will open a trade exposition as part of a major effort to better economic relations.

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## MIDDLE EAST AND AFRICA

## APRIL

Early	Libyan Premier Jalloud to visit Moscow	Discussions probably will focus on Soviet military aid and oil matters.
7	Arab Industry Ministers Conference (Tripoli)	To discuss report on Arab and foreign industrial investment in Arab countries.
Mid-month	Preparatory Committee for Islamic Development Bank Meeting (Jidda)	To lay groundwork for high-level meeting on establishment of the Bank with a capital of \$1 billion.
19-24	West German Chancellor Willy Brandt to visit Algeria and Egypt and possibly other Arab countries	To convince Arabs of German understanding of the Arab cause and to discuss ways of improving economic and commercial relations.
25	Jordan's Crown Prince Hassan to visit the United States (tentative date)	To discuss US aid with government officials and economic development with private firms.
28 Apr-2 May	West German-Iranian Investors Conference (Persepolis, Iran)	West German industrialists will negotiate new project agreements with Iranian officials.

## MAY

28	Ordinary Session of the Organization of African Unity (OAU) Council of Ministers (Mogadiscio, Somalia)	To prepare for eleventh OAU Summit Conference.
Date not set	Council of Ministers of African Group (Dakar)	Will continue discussions on trade and economic, financial, and technical cooperation with the EC.

Date	Event	US Policy Interest
<b>NON-COMMUNIST ASIA AND PACIFIC</b>		
<b>APRIL</b>		
27 Mar-14 Apr	Japanese oil specialist mission will visit four Middle Eastern countries, the OPEC Secretariat, the EC Commission, and head offices of US majors in New York	Will discuss outlook for oil prices and assess producer intentions regarding investment of oil dollars.
Early	Annual Meeting of International Wool Textile Organization (Melbourne, Australia)	Will discuss proposed changes in Australia's wool marketing system which could, in effect, regulate world wool prices.
2 Apr-late Apr	US Agriculture Secretary Butz to visit Thailand, Hong Kong, the Philippines, Taiwan, South Korea, and Japan. Will be in Tokyo 14-13 April	Will discuss US-Asian agricultural trade.
6-8 Apr	Meeting of ASEAN rice experts (Manila)	To discuss present and future trends in regional rice production. Will help in planning PL-480 requirements for the region.
9-11	Working Party Meeting of Aid to India Consortium (Paris)	The United States is to participate in discussions of New Delhi's aid requirements.
Mid-month	Japanese mission to visit United States and Europe	To discuss financial and monetary aspects of energy problem.
14-19	Taiwan Finance Minister Li Kuo-ting to visit Washington	Will discuss US Export-Import Bank lending policy toward Taiwan.
24-25	French Foreign Minister Jobert to visit Tokyo	Will discuss Japanese economic and political relations with France.
25-27	The Seventh Annual Meeting of the Asian Development Bank (ADB)	The United States is a member and a major supplier of loan funds.

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Date	Event	US Policy Interest
<b>APRIL</b> (Continued)		
29-30	Technical Symposium on Coal Gasification for Fertilizer Production (New Delhi)	US government officials and private industry representatives to participate.
<b>MAY</b>		
13-16	Ambassador-at-large Kennedy will lead mission to South Korea	Will discuss expansion of investment and trade between the two countries.
Mid-month	Sri Lanka Aid Consortium Meeting (Paris)	The United States is to participate in discussions of Colombo's aid requirements.
21	Japan's Foreign Minister Ohira to visit New York (tentative)	Will speak at the annual dinner of the Japan Society.
Date not set	IBRD-ADB-sponsored Consultative Meeting on Postwar Aid to Indochina (Paris)	Attempt to create a multinational framework for aid to countries of Indochina region, would help reduce large US aid burden to the area.
<b>JUNE</b>		
Date not set	IBRD Consultative Meeting on Thailand (Paris)	Annual meeting to discuss Thai economic situation.
<b>CHINA</b>		
<b>APRIL</b>		
15 Apr-15 May	Spring Canton Trade Fair	Important in the development of US-PRC trade.

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Date	Event	US Policy Interest
<b>USSR</b>		
<b>APRIL</b>		
23 Mar-7 Apr	Soviet Trade and Industry Exhibit in Düsseldorf, headed by Deputy Chairman of USSR Council of Ministers Vladimir Novikov	The first Soviet trade and industry exhibit to be held in West Germany, and the largest of its kind ever to be held in the West. Will exhibit 8,000 items from 31 fields to demonstrate the export potential and competitiveness of Soviet products.
5-19	Mission to Hungary of US government and business officials (headed by Frank Zarb of OMB)	Discussions with Hungarian officials on US-Hungarian relations and possible business transactions.
6-19	Visit of Senator Edward Kennedy to the USSR, Romania, Poland, and West Germany	Will discuss leading economic and political issues with top leaders while surveying the national health systems of the four countries.
8-15	Visit of Secretary of Commerce Dent to the USSR and Eastern Europe	8-10 April: to participate in the opening ceremony of STANKI 74 and to open the expanded US commercial office in the USSR.  11-13 April: to participate in the first session of the American-Romanian Economic Commission in Bucharest.  14-15 April: goodwill visit to Bulgaria, returning the visit of Deputy Minister Lukinov to the United States in the summer of 1973.
8-17	Second Meeting of Joint Working Group on Agricultural Research and Technological Development under US-USSR Agricultural Cooperation Agreement (Washington)	Will arrange exchanges in areas of joint interest.
29-30	EC Vice President Soames to visit Yugoslavia	Official visit to discuss EC system of generalized preferences and overall EC-Yugoslav relations.

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Date	Event	US Policy Interest
<b>MAY</b>		
4	Soviet exhibition on environmental protection opens at Expo-74 World Trade Fair in Spokane, Washington.	Only the second time that the USSR will have participated in a world trade fair in the United States.
13-17	Second Meeting of Joint Working Group on Agricultural Economic Research and Information under US-USSR Agricultural Cooperation Agreement (Washington)	Will exchange information on current situation and outlook for agriculture in the United States and the USSR.
21-22	Fourth Meeting of US-USSR Joint Commercial Commission (Washington)	Discussions on status of US-Soviet trade, financing of trade, trade promotion, and prospects for a long-term agreement on economic, industrial, and technical cooperation. Soviet Minister of Foreign Trade Pospelov will attend.
<b>JUNE</b>		
Date not set	Trip by President Nixon to the USSR (tentative)	Discussions will include economic issues.
Date not set	Visit of four USDA representatives to USSR under US-USSR Agricultural Cooperation Agreement	Will observe current development of crops and livestock.